



Express Mailing Label No.: EV231273438US
Date of Deposit: March 27, 2003

Attorney Docket No: 21486-024 NATL

#8
4/15/03

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Ronald A. Faris
SERIAL NUMBER: 09/743,544
FILING DATE: May 4, 2001
FOR: LIVER STEM CELL

EXAMINER: Joseph T. Weitach
ART UNIT: 1632

March 27, 2003
Boston, Massachusetts

RECEIVED

APR 14 2003

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME **TECH CENTER 1600/2900**

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time to respond to the September 27, 2002, Office Action in the above-identified application. With the extension, the Response is due on or before March 27, 2003. A check in the amount of \$465.00 in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3), is enclosed herewith.

No additional fees are believed to be due. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 21486-024 NATL).

Respectfully submitted,

IA Beattie

Ingrid Beattie 42,306
Attorney for Applicants
c/o MINTZ LEVIN
One Financial Center
Boston, Massachusetts 02111
Tel.: (617) 542 6000
Fax: (617) 542-2241

TRA 1779200v1

04/02/2003 JBALINAN 00000011 09743544

01 FC:2253

465.00 OP